SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT (SWDA)

8-25. <u>Administrative Enforcement: Issuance of Complaints</u> and Signing of Consent Agreements (Subtitle I)

- 1. <u>AUTHORITY</u>. Pursuant to Subtitle I of the SWDA: to make determinations of violations of Subtitle I; to issue warning letters or other notices; to issue compliance orders, including unilateral and consent orders; to issue notices to States; to issue administrative complaints; and to negotiate and sign consent agreements memorializing settlements between the Agency and respondents.
- 2. <u>TO WHOM DELEGATED</u>. Director, Land and Chemicals Division (LCD); Associate Director, Office of Land Enforcement, LCD; and Director, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice (OECEJ).

3. <u>LIMITATIONS</u>.

- a. This authority may only be exercised prior to the alleged violator filing an answer to an administrative complaint or, in the event of a failure to file an answer, within the period to file an answer which is set by the complaint.
- b. The delegatees must obtain the concurrence of the Regional Counsel or his/her designee prior to issuing complaints and signing consent agreements.
 - d. The Director OECEJ may exercise these authorities only in multi-media cases.
- e. The Director OECEJ must consult with the LCD delegatees before exercising these authorities.
- 4. <u>REDELEGATION AUTHORITY</u>. This authority may not be redelegated without formal amendment.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. Section 9006 and 9003(h) of the SWDA.
- b. See delegation 8-9-A and 8-32 in "EPA's Delegations Manual."
- 6. <u>SUPERSESSION</u>. Delegations Manual, SWDA, Regional Delegation 8-25. <u>Administrative Enforcement: Issuance of Complaints and Signing of Consent Agreements (Subtitle I)</u>, 1200 TN RIII-80, (November 22, 1989).

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